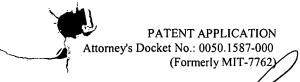
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## **AMENDMENT**

**Assistant Commissioner for Patents** 

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Sir:

This Amendment is being filed in response to the Office Action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on May 8, 2000 in the above-identified application. A three month extension of time to respond to the Office Action is respectfully requested. A Petition for Extension of Time and the appropriate fee are being filed concurrently with this Amendment.

Please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims

Amend Claims 1, 8, 12, 16 and 18-19. Cancel Claim 17.

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